FOIA Officer U.S. Environmental Protection Agency William Jefferson Clinton Building 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W. Washington, DC 20004

# **Re: Freedom of Information Act Request**

Dear Freedom of Information Officer:

I am Algis Silas, a professional researcher who has a non-profit client, which is interested in the following information. Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), 5 U.S.C. § 552, Algis Silas requests that the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency produce all types of communication records between the following U.S. Environmental Protection Agency officials and the specific outside organizations, of Clean Air Task Force and CERES listed below, within twenty (20) business days:

## **U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Officials**

Michael S. Regan, Administrator

Dan Utech, Chief of Staff

Alison Cassady, Deputy Chief of Staff

Wesley J. Carpenter, Deputy Chief of Staff

Chris Frey, Deputy Assistant Administrator

Alejandra Nunez, Deputy Assistant Administrator

Carlton Waterhouse, Deputy Assistant Administrator

Tomás Elias Carbonell, Deputy Assistant Administrator

JoAnn Chase, Director

Sinceré Harris, White House Liaison

Philip Fine, Principal Deputy Associate Administrator

Radhika Fox, Principal Deputy Assistant Administrator

Michal Ilana Freedhoff, Principal Deputy Assistant Administrator

Joseph Goffman, Principal Deputy Assistant Administrator

Radha Adhar, Deputy Associate Administrator

Rosemary Enobakhare, Associate Administrator

Marianne Engelman Lado, Deputy General Counsel

#### **Outside Organizations / Domain Names**

Clean Air Task Force @catf.us CERES @ceres.org

#### The period for this request is January 20, 2021 to the present.

If any responsive record or portion thereof is claimed to be exempt from production under FOIA, please provide sufficient identifying information with respect to each allegedly exempt record or portion thereof to allow us to assess the propriety of the claimed exemption. *Vaughn v.Rosen* 484 F.2d 820 (D.C. Cir. 1973), cert. denied, 415 U.S. 977 (1974). In addition, any reasonably segregable portion of a responsive record must be provided, after redaction of any allegedly exempt material. 5 U.S.C. § 552(b).

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### For purposes of this request, the term "record" shall mean:

- 1) any written, printed, or typed material of any kind, including without limitation all correspondence, memoranda, notes, messages, letters, cards, facsimiles, papers, forms, telephone, messages, diaries, schedules, calendars, chronological data, minutes, books, reports, charts, lists, ledgers, invoices, worksheets, receipts, returns, computer printouts, printed matter, prospectuses, statements, checks, statistics, surveys, affidavits, contracts, agreements, transcripts, magazine or newspaper articles, or press releases;
- 2) any electronically, magnetically, or mechanically stored material of any kind, including without limitation all electronic mail or e-mail;
- 3) any audio, aural, visual, or video records, recordings, or representations of any kind;
- 4) any graphic materials using other means of preserving thought or expression; and
- 5) any materials using other means of preserving thought or expression.

In order to help to determine my status for purposes of determining the applicability of any fees, you should know that I am a professional researcher, who has a non-profit client, which is interested in any and all types of communication between the previously listed seventeen (17) U.S. Environmental Protection Agency officials and the eleven (11) outside groups listed on page one of this FOIA request. I am willing to pay fees up to the amount of \$25.00 in search and/or duplication costs. If the fees will exceed this amount, please inform me before any such fees are incurred, in order to prioritize search and duplication efforts.

In an effort to facilitate record production within the statutory time limit, Algis Silas is willing to accept documents in electronic format (e.g. e-mail, pdfs). When necessary, Algis Silas will also accept the "rolling production" of documents.

If you feel you need clarification of this request or any portion thereof, please contact us immediately at (703) 354-4824 or by email Redmeska@aol.com. We look forward to receiving the requested documents of both search and duplication costs within twenty (20) business days.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

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